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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of Takeshi KUBOTA) SHAPED SHEET AND METHOD FOR
Serial No.: 09/720,584) PRODUCING THE SAME
Filed: December 22, 2000) Attorney Docket: TJK/149
) Group Art Unit: 2399
) Examiner: P. L. Nordmeyer

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

The Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action mailed March 19, 2002, noting that the initial term for response is set for April 19, 2002, wherein the Examiner requested the claims be Restricted.

The Applicant elects the claims of Group I, claims 1 and 2, for continued prosecution herein.